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Welzow (A44) 25X1X6

The Welzow field was abandoned by the Russians in early July 1947. Installations which could not be shipped away were blown up.

Sanwalde (A34)

This former Luftwaffe emergency field for night fighters was enlarged, via forest clearance, to four times its original size during the summer of 1947. New installations were erected and the field was activated in early August. The field is said to have new underground hangars and fuel dumps, but this claim by local residents has not been verified.

Schkeuditz (E12) 25X1X6

Runways and buildings have been blown up. The field was not occupied in late July.

Mockau (E21) 25X1X6

The airfield proper, now used by courier and liaison aircraft, is not to be ploughed under. All the former Junkers buildings have been blown up. (31 July).

Cottbus (A57) 25X1X6

Between 3 and 6 August, the following aircraft were observed on the Cottbus airfield runway, in addition to others in hangars and woods which could not be clearly identified: forty-five IL-2, eight R-5, fifteen single-engine fighters with inline engines, twenty two-engine low monoplanes with twin rudders similar to the PE-2, and one four-engine low monoplane observed at too great distance for source to note any details beyond its wide span. Source remarks that the IL-2's appeared to have fuselages one to two meters longer than usual, and some of them were equipped with rocket sliding rails under both wings. All these aircraft were painted a dark blue-grey without markings beyond the Soviet emblem. Soviet Air Force personnel seen in the town were estimated to belong to the 1920-1925 year classes and wore decorations.

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6. Schartenke (Y93)

A reliable source who reported on Schartenke on 1 June and 6 July now states that, as of early August, work was stopped, guards were withdrawn, and the field was ready for use. A small Soviet unit is stationed at the field. There are two barracks but no hangars.

7. Radekin (Y93)

This field was vacated in early August. Local inhabitants report that aircraft were shifted to Tangermünde.

8. Schönhausen/Elba (Y95)

Though not yet occupied by troops, the former Luftwaffe temporary field, two kilometers southwest of Schönhausen and three kilometers east of Tangermünde, was being enlarged on 20 August. There are no billets or hangars.

9. Stendal (Y85)

On 23 August there were two YAK-3 squadrons and one YAK-9 (radial engine) squadron at the Stendal field, both controlled by a Soviet Air Force unit in Brandenburg. The technical officer in charge is a Major Bovkop.

10. Warder (Z53)

As of 20 August, two new firing ranges with clay pigeons were being built. Source believes this may indicate the impending arrival of a training element. The field was inspected on the same day by a general and three colonels whose car was marked P 7-33-09.

11. Görlitz (B00)

An untested source states that all hangars at the Görlitz field have been blasted, but that the weather station and one radio building have been left intact and are in operation. The field is usable. It has no beacon lights.

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